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(SBU) POLOFF spoke to MFA Director for Western Balkans Ene Alexandru on June 1 regarding reftel demarche points. Alexandru confirmed that Romania would vote before the deadline, but would oppose Kosovo's World Bank membership. He underscored that the Romanian vote is consistent with its current policy of non-recognition for Kosovo. A "no" vote also tracks with Romania's previous opposition to Kosovo membership in the IMF.
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